

Georgia Department of Transportation Fact Sheet

LMIG Centerline Mileage Reporting

The Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG) program provides funding to counties and cities for road construction and maintenance. Road centerline mileages are part of the formula for determining LMIG funding levels for each local government. In support of the program, Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) Office of Transportation Data (OTD) works closely with local governments to determine road centerline mileages.

OTD keeps a written record of the mileages and sets reasonable rules and regulations for keeping it current and accurate, per O.C.G.A. § 32-4-2 Official map, list and records; rules and regulations:

- (b) The department shall keep written records of the mileage on all public roads on the state highway system and on all public roads on each of the county road systems. These written records shall be revised as soon as is reasonably possible after any changes to the above public road systems. They shall indicate whether roads are paved or unpaved and shall contain information as to the condition, status, type, and use of all such public roads and such other information as deemed necessary for sound, long-range planning of public road construction and maintenance. These records shall be made available to each county and to the public.
- (c) The department may provide reasonable rules and regulations for keeping accurate and up to date, between official measurements, the mileage record called for in this Code section. Each county shall comply with such rules and regulations.

Throughout the year, GDOT updates centerline mileages as counties and cities notify us of changes to their local roadway networks via the <u>Notification of Local Road Activity</u> form, **per O.C.G.A. § 32-4-41 Duties (County Roads Systems):**

(4) A county shall keep on file in the office of the county clerk, available for public inspection, the map of the county road system prepared by the department as provided for in subsection (a) of Code Section 32-4-2. In addition to keeping on file a map of the county road system, the county shall notify the department within three months after a county road is added to the local road or street system and shall further notify the department within three months after a local road or street has been abandoned. This notification shall be accompanied by an appropriate digital file, map, or plat depicting the location of the new or abandoned road.

And per O.C.G.A. § 32-4-91 Duties (Municipal Street System):

(b) A municipality shall notify the department within three months after a municipal street is added to the municipal street system and shall further notify the department within three months after a municipal street is abandoned. This notification shall be accompanied by a map or plat depicting the location of the new or abandoned street.

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OTD compares incoming road data with our current records and, if needed, gathers more information from the local officials who have the most authoritative knowledge of their road systems. Local governments can request their official centerline mileage total from OTD.

If a local government does not agree with the mileage, the matter may be referred to GDOT's Commissioner for a final determination, per O.C.G.A. § 32-4-2 Official map, list, and records; rules and regulations:

(d) Not more often than every four years, a county may request an official measurement of its county road system under the rules and regulations of the department; and the department shall comply with such a request if properly made. Whenever a mileage measurement is to be made in any county, whether in response to a request or in the regular course of measurement for the records of the department, the county shall furnish a representative to accompany the representatives of the department in its measurement. In case of disagreement between the department representative and the county representative as to their findings, the matter shall be referred to the commissioner, whose decisions as to the facts thereof shall be final and conclusive. The distribution of the county grants based on public road mileage of the county road system shall be made on the basis of the latest official mileage record for each county as shown by department records at the end of the preceding fiscal year.

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